

# Annual General Meeting

Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> 2022  
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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# Agenda

1. Welcome and Confirmation of Quorum
2. Approval of Minutes 2021 Annual General Meeting
3. Approval of Proposed Amendments to Constitution
4. Board Chair's Letter
5. Arts Centre Director's Report
6. Financial Report & Budget Approval
7. Appointment of Chartered Professional Accountants
8. Questions and Answers
9. Election of Candidates to the Board of Directors
10. Adjournment

## THE NIAGARA PUMPHOUSE ARTS CENTRE

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES-November 28, 2021 at 3 pm

#### Virtual Meeting on ZOOM due to COVID-19 Restrictions

#### **Board members present:**

Lise Andreana – Chair; Fundraising/Sponsorships

Ron Ferguson - Treasurer

Gwen Laing - Secretary

Mark Skeffington-Exhibits Chair

Judy Thornton-Member-at-large/Co-Treasurer

Rima Boles-Director

Wendy Cheropita-ex-officio Town Representative

#### **1. Call to Order**

Guests and members were welcomed to the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting by the Pumphouse Chair, Lise Andreana, who called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm on Zoom. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, we felt it was important to ensure the health & safety of our Board, staff and members and therefore we are not meeting in person this year.

Rima Boles, the Pumphouse Director, explained the Virtual meeting process on Zoom regarding muting of members' microphones and videos during the meeting, and how to use the chat box for questions and comments. She described how the polling (voting) on Motions would take place.

The secretary, Gwen Laing confirmed that there were 15 members present (including Board) and 12 proxy votes for a total of 27. This number confirms a quorum according to our constitution.

Online Attendees were: L. Andreana, M. Skeffington, J. Thornton, W. Cheropita, S. Nass-Misiak, G. Laing, R. Ferguson, V. Wisdom, A. Medina, B. Blyth, G. Kerr, S. Kitchen, S. Holly, D. Antscherl, D. Alexandre. (B. Disero, R. Boles non-voting)

Proxies were: A. Fernandez, G. Kowalchuk, P. Knipe, S. Ashukian, A. Moxam, J. Kane, S. Oatley, J. Eppler, S. Moorhead, D. Combe, B. Groberman, M. Louko.

#### **2. Approval of Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting Nov. 12, 2020 (These minutes were included in our Annual Report which was emailed to all members and currently posted on our website.)**

**Motion:” the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting be accepted as written”.**  
Made by David Antscherl, Seconded by Gail Kerr. No discussion. **APPROVED.**

#### **3. Motion: “To Approve the Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre 2021 Constitution and By-Laws.” (Previously discussed and approved at a Special Members' Mtg. Sept. 26,21)** Made by Mark Skeffington, Seconded by Wendy Cheropita. No discussion. **APPROVED.**

#### **4. Board Chair's Letter: Lise Andreana**

Dear Friends:

These past five years as your Chair I have found successful ventures are built around great teams, and the success of Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre is no different. Each member of the team brings their unique talent, experience, and relationships which allowed us to pull through what was most certainly a difficult year for many. We bade sad farewell to a few cherished friends, and welcomed new friends in equal measure. With diminished funding from the private sector, we are grateful for the government support which allowed us to keep our doors open, both real and virtual, allowing us to complete renovations, and offer new programs.

This is the year we realized the fulfillment of two treasured goals:

- Provide a place for artistic expression to youth and elderly in our community who struggle with financial, physical, or mental challenges, and
- The formation of the NOTL Arts Collective- begins a new chapter in our commitment to act as advocate for artists, curators, and galleries in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Thank you to all who freely give of their time and/or financial resources to move The Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre towards its' vision as the art hub that connects our community by providing ART FOR ALL. Please join us to begin or expand your creative journey.

We are very proud of what we have accomplished over the years. To paraphrase Diane Debenham, Chair of The Niagara Pumphouse between 1994-1997, we saw 750 visitors. Fast forward to 2019-2021-We are really amazed. Over the last three years we have had more than 37,000 participants, showing that an art centre plays a valuable role in our community.

WE HOPE YOU AGREE.

#### **5. Director's Report: Rima Boles-highlights**

- 2021 was closed ½ year due to COVID restrictions., classes at ½ capacity-Virtual programs developed.
- demands were doubled due to community need for respite. Youth and senior programs valuable.
- website redesigned to be user friendly ...20% increase of visitors to website.
- 5 hepa air filtration units and hand sanitizers obtained.
- Thanks to Gail Kerr for talented management of kitchen and bathroom renos.

-Grateful for community and government support of programs and increased participation.

-Increased development of cultural tourism-art exhibitions well received and sales increased.

-Development of Arts Collective to support local artists, galleries. Exhibition Dec. 14-Feb. 6 at Pumphouse.

-Thank you to many dedicated volunteers for contributing to successful year.

-Testimonial received: " The Pumphouse was a saving grace that lifted me out of those times of dread. When there was so much anxiety and apprehension looming over, it was nice to know there was a place I could turn to that lifted my spirits and helped me find my creativity. It has morphed into something I use every day for my mental health and wellness. I am so very grateful for the Pumphouse and all that it is doing in the community."

-2022 Goals: rebuilding with COVID specific strategic plan to meet future needs and applying to OTF for their assistance.

## 6. Treasurer's Report: Ron Ferguson and Judy Thornton (Presenter)

	2021	2020
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash (Note 8)	\$ 190,939	\$ 60,273
Cash externally restricted	52,343	19,676
Accounts receivable	13,906	26,754
Harmonized sales tax recoverable	4,544	3,252
Prepaid expenses	3,736	2,745
	265,468	112,700
<b>CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 3)</b>	142,250	150,902
<b>LONG TERM INVESTMENTS (Note 4)</b>	53,053	52,736
	<u>\$ 460,771</u>	<u>\$ 316,338</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 14,758	\$ 5,132
Employee deductions payable	5,575	2,456
Deferred income (Note 5)	3,226	3,188
Externally restricted donations	52,343	19,676
	75,902	30,452
<b>CEBA LOAN (Note 6)</b>	60,000	40,000
	<u>135,902</u>	<u>70,452</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	77,552	94,984
<b>INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS</b>	142,317	150,902
<b>RESERVE AND CONTINGENCY FUNDS (Note 7)</b>	105,000	-
	<u>324,869</u>	<u>245,886</u>
	<u>\$ 460,771</u>	<u>\$ 316,338</u>



	2021	%	2020	%
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Grant revenue	\$ 188,620	66.8	\$ 27,219	18.0
Adult programme	30,155	10.7	37,779	25.0
Youth programme	15,303	5.4	11,993	7.9
Donations	14,452	5.1	30,740	20.3
Exhibits	11,679	4.1	4,502	3.0
Membership fees	9,105	3.2	8,395	5.6
Fundraising events	7,529	2.7	23,252	15.4
Rental fees	4,640	1.6	5,188	3.4
Investments	1,007	0.4	2,049	1.4
	<b>282,490</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>151,117</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Wages and benefits	104,568	37.0	57,952	38.3
Office administration	19,261	6.8	11,063	7.3
Adult programme	17,579	6.2	18,047	11.9
Cleaning and maintenance	13,385	4.7	3,852	2.5
Professional fees	12,119	4.3	3,631	2.4
Utilities	9,013	3.2	10,023	6.6
Bank charges	4,299	1.5	3,849	2.5
Youth programme	4,032	1.4	2,479	1.6
Advertising and promotion	3,401	1.2	6,742	4.5
Insurance	3,179	1.1	2,247	1.5
Art sales	2,564	0.9	1,751	1.2
Fundraising	1,041	0.4	10,313	6.8
Memberships and volunteers	281	0.1	209	0.1
Scholarship awards	200	0.1	200	0.1
Grant and sponsorship	-	-	2,234	1.5
Renovations	-	-	4,339	2.9
	<b>194,922</b>	<b>68.9</b>	<b>138,931</b>	<b>91.7</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 87,568</b>	<b>31.1</b>	<b>\$ 12,186</b>	<b>8.3</b>

**Motion: “ To Accept The Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre Treasurer’s Report as written.”** Made by Judy Thornton, Seconded by Wendy Cheropita. No Discussion. **APPROVED.**

**Motion: “ To appoint Bridgman & Durksen as our external Accountants for review and prepare our financial statements for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2022.”** Made by Judy Thornton, Seconded by Deedee Alexandre. No discussion. **APPROVED.**

## 7. Proposed Budgets: 2021/22: Lise Andreana

Due to COVID-19, we found it necessary to provide 2 possible budgets for the coming year. Budget “A” indicates results if no OTF Operating Grant is received.

Budget “B” assumes the OTF Operating Grant is received, and includes expenses for Consultants to manage Strategic Plan and Fundraising.

Budget 2021/22 AGM A			
Description	Revenue	Expense	Net Revenue/ Expense
Adult Programs/Workshops V	37,000.00	35,000.00	2,000.00
Youth Programs/Camp	18,750.00	4,250.00	14,500.00
Exhibits **	7,800.00	3,200.00	4,600.00
Special Events	20,000.00	5,800.00	14,200.00
Grant/Sponsorship	129,500.00	0.00	129,500.00
Marketing/Communication		2,500.00	-2,500.00
Membership / Volunteers	8,395.00	750.00	7,645.00
Rentals	4,800.00		4,800.00
Scholarship Award		200.00	-200.00
Donation Revenue	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
Investment Revenue	350.00	0.00	350.00
Utilities		13,035.00	-13,035.00
Renovation Expenses		0.00	0.00
Cleaning/Repair		14,000.00	-14,000.00
Bank Charges/POS Fees		7,250.00	-7,250.00
Professional Fees F		3,700.00	-3,700.00
Insurance F		3,200.00	-3,200.00
Office Administration F		17,050.00	-17,050.00
Payroll F		169,435.00	-169,435.00
	241,595.00	279,370.00	-37,775.00



Budget 2021/22 AGM B			
Description	Revenue	Expense	Net Revenue/ Expense
Adult Programs/Workshops V	37,000.00	35,000.00	2,000.00
Youth Programs/Camp	18,750.00	4,250.00	14,500.00
Exhibits **	7,800.00	3,200.00	4,600.00
Special Events	20,000.00	5,800.00	14,200.00
Grant/Sponsorship	229,500.00	70,000.00	159,500.00
Marketing/Communication		2,500.00	-2,500.00
Membership / Volunteers	8,395.00	750.00	7,645.00
Rentals	4,800.00		4,800.00
Scholarship Award		200.00	-200.00
Donation Revenue	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
Investment Revenue	350.00	0.00	350.00
Utilities		13,035.00	-13,035.00
Renovation Expenses		0.00	0.00
Cleaning/Repair		14,000.00	-14,000.00
Bank Charges/POS Fees		7,250.00	-7,250.00
Professional Fees F		3,700.00	-3,700.00
Insurance F		3,200.00	-3,200.00
Office Administration F		17,050.00	-17,050.00
Payroll F		169,435.00	-169,435.00
	341,595.00	349,370.00	-7,775.00

**Motion by Lise Andreana: “to accept Proposed Budget A, to be replaced by Proposed Budget B, if the Ontario Trillium Foundation Resiliency Grant is received. “** Seconded by Sandra Nass-Misiak.

Discussion question from Susan Kitchen: “If the grant is not awarded on December 8 or is less than you expect, is the plan to adjust programs and not do things, or take the funds out of the contingency from 2021-net surplus ?

Answered by Lise Andreana: “ If we are not awarded the grant, the scope of the work will be reduced to fit Budget A. We will proceed with the Strategic Plan, but without the assistance of a professional to guide us.”

**NO OTHER QUESTIONS. VOTE TAKEN-MOTION APPROVED.**

## 8. Questions/Comments:

- i) Susan Kitchen: Are there any plans to work with Canada Games 2022 next summer?

Rima—Yes. There will be an event in Simcoe Park for community groups. May include Plein Air painting, local artists exhibits, possibly at winery. Planning in new year.

- ii) Betty Disero: Congratulations Niagara Pumphouse ! You are doing an amazing job. Have a wonderful Sunday. (Thank you for your support Lord Mayor.)
- iii) Gail Kerr: Are we looking to secure a handicap parking space at the Pumphouse?

Lise—Yes. Currently in discussion with CAO Marnie Cluckie. Our parking lot is small and we are not mandated to have a handicap space, but we feel it is necessary to be accessible to all visitors and volunteers. We are working with The Town, the Town has agreed to include the Pumphouse building and grounds in the accessibility audit scheduled for January.

- iv) David Antscherl: Thanks to the Board and Staff for a very successful year under difficult circumstances. (Thank you for your comment and support David)

**RIMA : All of the Reports will now be accepted as written into our Annual Report 2021**

**9. Election of Board Members for 2021-22:**

According to our Constitution, our current Board consists of 6 members plus our Town Representative, for a total of 7 members.

**Returning Board Members:**

- Lise Andreana, Chair
- Patti Knipe, Member-at-Large
- Wendy Cheropita (ex-officio Town Rep)

**Re-election of Current Board member for the following term:**

- Mark Skeffington, Exhibits Chair (3 years)

**Election of Members to Board of Directors for the following term:**

- Judy Thornton, Treasurer (3 Years)
- Sandra Nass-Misiak, Member-at-Large (3 years)

**Motion by Rima Boles: “ To accept current Board members, and those for reelection and election to the Board of Directors of the Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre.”** Seconded by Gail Kerr. No discussion. **APPROVED.**

#### **10. Closing of the Meeting-any further business ?**

There was no further business to discuss.

-Lise thanked all Board members, members and volunteers for their support and hard work in 2021. Thanks to retiring Board members Ron Ferguson and Gwen Laing.

-Position of Secretary is available: Please consider joining the Board and let us know if interested. Until this position is filled, Board members will be acting secretary on a rotating basis.

-Art Sale: Thanks to all for generously donating over 300 pieces of art –on sale Dec. 2-4. Proceeds towards children and senior programs. Vernissage for members Dec. 1.

#### **MOTION TO ADJOURN THE NIAGARA PUMPHOUSE ARTS CENTRE 2021 AGM—**

Made by Lise Andreana, Seconded by Wendy Cheropita. No discussion. **APPROVED** at 3:43 pm

Thanks to all for your support and for attending our Virtual AGM.

Reported by Gwen Laing, Secretary

Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre

# Proposed Amendments to Constitution

Voted in favour at October 11, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting.

Please see the proposed amendments to the constitution with ~~omissions~~ and **additions** below:

## ARTICLE 6 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- a) The Board of Directors of the Centre shall **have the authority to add or shrink the number of board members as required.** ~~consist of seven members.~~ Six Members shall be elected, and one member shall be appointed by The Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake.
- b) Members shall be elected to the Board of Directors at each Annual General Meeting to replace members whose terms are ending and shall serve for a term of three years.
- c) Each member of the Board of Directors may serve for a maximum of two consecutive terms. **In the event that there is no viable candidate for an Executive Position (Chair, Secretary, Treasurer), a vote by the majority of the board can extend a current Executive for an additional year.**
- d) After a one-year hiatus from the Board of Directors the member may serve further terms following the procedures laid out in Section 6 a) to Section c).
- e) Vacancies among the elected members of the Board of Directors during a term shall be filled from the membership of the corporation by a vote of the remaining members of the Board of Directors.
  - Chairperson (in the absence of the Chairperson, another Board Member will be selected to fill in)
  - Secretary
  - Treasurer
  - Chairpersons of key standing committees

# Proposed Amendments to Constitution

- f) Resignation of a Board Member mid-term shall be accepted with a 30-day notice by letter or email of intent to resign sent to the Chair or the Board at large. A motion to accept the resignation shall be made at the following Board meeting.
- g) Termination of existing Board Member mid-term will follow the same Policies & Procedures as Staff and Volunteers – see Performance Correction in Policies & Procedures Manual.
- h) Board of Directors' meetings shall take place a minimum of seven times per year and as often as necessary to responsibly manage the affairs of the corporation.
- i) A majority of Board members of record on the date of the meeting shall constitute a quorum for Board of Directors' meetings.
- j) The responsibilities of the Board of Directors shall be as follows
- k) Determine mission and purpose – advocate for them.
  - Select the Director (senior staff).
  - Support and evaluate the chief executive/director.
  - Ensure effective planning.
  - Monitor and strengthen programs and services.
  - Ensure adequate financial resources.
  - Protect assets and provide financial oversight.
  - Build and sustain a competent board.
  - Ensure legal and ethical integrity.
  - Enhance the corporation's public standing.

# Board Chair's Letter

Dear Members,

2022 was another excellent year for us. We welcomed a return to in person activities and programs as we continued to offer virtual programming for those who prefer. The Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre has done it's best over the past year to ensure our position as "The Hub" for visual arts in Niagara on the Lake, bringing "Art for All" through our programs, exhibits and events to residents and visitors alike.

We hit some key milestones! Our hardworking staff, Rima Boles, Aimee Medina and Jodi Eppler, proved their value as they took on the challenges of a yet another year living with COVID, adjusting our programs and events to ensure the health and safety of our visitors, volunteers and staff. We'd like you to join us in thanking our Board of Directors, Marina Glencross, Judy Thornton, Patti Knipe, Mark Skeffington, Sandy Nass Misiak and Town representative Wendy Cheropita, for their contributions. Thank you to our summer students, who made summer camp and the volunteers who made our special events possible, we hope to see them back next year.

Some of my personal highlights from this year include:

- 1,000 Crane Public Art Project, featuring 1000 origami cranes , made by our volunteers and hung at the Community Centre in honour of our essential workers.
- Recognition in the Globe & Mail article claiming NOTL as the new destination for the visual arts.
- Completion of our Strategic Plan, and commencement of a corporate fundraising strategy, both made possible by OTF, which will carry us with confidence into 2023 and beyond. Thank you to Shelley McQuade of Cypress Strategies and Heather Nelson of BridgeRaise for their expertise in guiding us through the process
- Thanks to the hard work and prudence of our team, we end the fiscal year with a small surplus.



As always, we must extend our gratitude to our corporate sponsors; Ont. Power Corporation, NOTL Rotary, Niagara Recycling for their sponsorship and financial support, making possible our community outreach programs, Healing Arts for Kids, C.A.R.E. and Family Friendly Online Studio . Thank you to Ontario Trillium Foundation, New Horizons for Seniors, for funding which allowed us to increase our resiliency, raise the level of professionalism and expand our program offerings. Thank you to Cu Van Ha, Joanne Morandin, and Sandy Nass-Misiak for their exceptional volunteer contributions to the success of many of our community focused programs.

Our success is also directly linked to the hard work of our team. We have made extraordinary progress this year, and I'd like to personally thank every team member for their energy, commitment and consistency in driving our business forward.

This year, our plans for expansion include:

- Implementation of the first steps in our 5-year strategic plan
- Further investments into our technology, staffing and marketing
- Growing and nurturing the NOTL Arts Collective as it commences it's second year.

There are also some plans that are in their very early stages, I look forward to sharing them with you at some future date.

Lise Andreana, Board Chair

# Art Centre Director's Report

<b>Scorecard Report: 2021/2022</b>	
September 1, 2021 - August 31, 2022	
<b>Metric</b>	<b>YTD Fiscal 2021/2022</b>
<b>REVENUE GENERATING</b>	
Membership - Total	<b>300</b>
# of Programs	<b>85</b>
# of Special Events	<b>5</b>
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	
# of Program Students	<b>553</b>
# Free Community Participants	<b>1946</b>
# of Gallery Visitors	<b>3,441</b>
# of Special Event Participants	<b>12,145</b>
Total # of Participants	<b>18,085</b>
<b>VOLUNTEERS</b>	
Total Volunteer Hours	<b>4,946.25</b>

# Financial Report

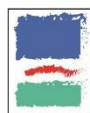
## THE NIAGARA PUMPHOUSE VISUAL ART CENTRE STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2022

(Unaudited)

	2022	%	2021	%
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Grant revenue	\$ 187,631	51.8	\$ 188,687	66.8
Fundraising events	59,225	16.3	7,529	2.7
Adult programme	44,298	12.2	30,155	10.7
Youth programme	30,007	8.3	15,303	5.4
Exhibits	12,459	3.4	11,679	4.1
Donations	11,757	3.2	14,452	5.1
Membership fees	11,080	3.1	9,105	3.2
Rental fees	4,520	1.2	4,640	1.6
Investments	1,704	0.5	1,007	0.4
	<b>362,681</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>282,557</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Wages and benefits	164,102	45.2	104,568	37.0
Adult programme	24,208	6.7	17,579	6.2
Office administration	22,912	6.3	19,261	6.8
Professional fees	20,379	5.6	12,119	4.3
Fundraising	13,452	3.7	1,041	0.4
Cleaning and maintenance	11,728	3.2	13,385	4.7
Utilities	11,324	3.1	9,013	3.2
Bank charges	5,393	1.5	4,299	1.5
Insurance	3,931	1.1	3,179	1.1
Advertising and promotion	3,195	0.9	3,401	1.2
Youth programme	2,544	0.7	4,032	1.4
Art sales	2,417	0.7	2,564	0.9
Renovations	1,905	0.5	-	-
Memberships and volunteers	695	0.2	281	0.1
Scholarship awards	600	0.2	200	0.1
	<b>288,785</b>	<b>79.6</b>	<b>194,922</b>	<b>68.9</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 73,896</b>	<b>20.4</b>	<b>\$ 87,635</b>	<b>31.1</b>

# Budget 2022/2023

Revenue	
Adult Programs & Workshops	\$ 37,770.91
Sponsor Niagara Recycling	\$ 10,000.00
Youth Program Summer Camp Paid	\$ 21,250.00
Youth Program Sponsors HAK (Rotary + NCF + OPG)	\$ 10,000.00
*Exhibits/Reception Sales- GROSS before commissions paid	\$ 35,280.00
Special Events NEW see SE sheet	\$ 50,100.00
Grants (includes CSJ)	\$ 153,000.00
Membership Fees	\$ 9,465.00
Rental Fees	\$ 5,000.00
Donations	\$ 10,000.00
NCF-Scholarship distribution	\$ 400.00
Investment Revenue	\$ 5,817.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 348,082.91</b>
Expenses	
Revenue Based Expenses	
Adult Programs & Workshops	\$ 28,068.74
Youth Program Summer Camp	\$ 3,034.00
*Exhibits- Artists comp + advertisng +Opening Reception	\$ 29,076.00
Special Events Expense	\$ 21,442.00
Membership/Volunteer Appreciation	\$ 1,000
Donations	\$ 300
Scholarship Student Award	\$ 600.00
Grants	\$ 15,000.00
Operating Expenses	
* Advertising Marketing General (non revenue generating )	\$ 2,000
Office Administration	\$ 31,535
Bank Charges	\$ 5,805
Professional Fees	\$ 20,500
Insurance	\$ 4,000
Utilities	\$ 12,475
Renovations	
Cleaning & Repair	\$ 10,306
Staffing-includes summer staff	\$ 191,523.9
<i>* see side chart Marketing</i>	
\$ 278,144.32	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 376,665</b>
<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>-\$ 28,582.15</b>



# Confirmation of Election to Board of Directors

## Returning Board Members 2022/23:



- Lise Andreana, Chair

Lise founded Continuum II, a highly respected boutique financial planning firm in Burlington Ontario. As a trusted source for Globe and Mail, National Post and Toronto Star, Lises' financial planning accomplishments include authoring 3 books. She served on the Board of Directors for Halton Women's Place and established the Andreana Family Trust Fund to assist youth and their families.



- Judy Thornton, Treasurer

Judy's professional background has always involved finance, given her credentials in the fields of accounting & payroll, and qualification as a Six-Sigma Analyst. She sits as a Director at the Niagara Historical Museum where she chairs the Governance Committee. With a passion for local arts, history & culture, her involvement evolved to volunteering at various events.



- Marina Glencross, Secretary

A dedicated and highly organized professional, Marina brings her administrative experience to the board. She studied Human Resources Management from McMaster University, and holds a BA in Labour Studies from Brock University.



- Patti Knipe, Member at Large

Patti has expertise in the design and implementation of human resources strategies. She uses her skills in policy & procedure development, talent acquisition strategy and succession planning to support the Niagara Pumphouse Arts Team.

# Confirmation of Election to Board of Directors

## Returning Board Members 2022/23:



- Sandra Nass-Misiak, Member at Large

Sandra's career was in Administrative and Project Management in Clinical Research for the Pharmaceutical Industry. Sandra brings this expertise and keen eye for detail to everything she does. Sandra is now retired and enjoying instructing, painting, and voluntarily supporting the arts in her new community.



- Mark Skeffington, Member at Large

Mark is a Niagara art lover, collector, dealer and artist, with a strong passion for Canadian art.. He owns two online art galleries: FineArtCollector.ca, which features works by major Canadian artists. Mark works in communications/ public relations, after a previous career spent as an award-winning journalist.

## Election of Members to Board of Directors for the following terms:

Clare Cameron, Member at Large (3 years)

Clare grew up in Niagara and completed a Bachelor of Arts in History and Art History at the University of Toronto. She also holds an MA in History and MBA, and currently works as the Manager of Customer Experience for the City of Burlington. Clare owns and operates a small business in Niagara-on-the-Lake, designing and producing locally made garments with hand-lettered designs based on the unique history of this community. She is passionate about the importance of place, built form, heritage and good design.

## Thank you to retiring Board Members:

Wendy Cheropita (ex-officio Town Rep.)



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